# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

LIFESTYLE COMMUNITIES, LTD., et al.,	) Civil Action 2:22-CV-1775
Plaintiffs,	)
v.	) Judge Sarah D. Morrison
CITY OF WORTHINGTON, OHIO,	)
Defendant.	<ul><li>) Magistrate Judge Elizabeth P. Deavers</li><li>)</li></ul>

#### PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

## EXHIBIT 18

#### LIFESTYLE COMMUNITIES

VS.

#### CITY OF WORTHINGTON

### Deposition of

#### **Michael DeAscentis**

January 26, 2024



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6	) 2:22-cv-1775 CITY OF WORTHINGTON,	
7	OHIO, )	
8	Defendant. )	
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11	VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION	
12	of MICHAEL DEASCENTIS II	
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18	on January 26, 2024, at 9:28 a.m.	
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Page 3 1 STIPULATIONS 2 It is stipulated by and among counsel 3 for the respective parties that the videotaped 4 deposition of MICHAEL DEASCENTIS II, the Witness 5 herein, called by the Defendant under the applicable Rules of Federal Civil Court 6 Procedure, may be taken at this time by the 7 8 stenographic court reporter and notary public by agreement of counsel; that said deposition may 9 be reduced to writing stenographically by the 10 11 court reporter, whose notes thereafter may be 12 transcribed outside the presence of the witness; 13 and that the proof of the official character and 14 qualification of the notary is waived. 15 -=0=-16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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- 1 did to try and get your zoning approved as you
- 2 said you were going to do.
- 3 MR. MILLER: Objection to form. Asked
- 4 and answered.
- 5 A. We typical -- we did on this project
- 6 probably more than we do on other projects in
- 7 terms of trying to engage the community to get
- 8 their support. So we go to meetings, we hear
- 9 what their concerns are, we ask them about their
- 10 product they want, ask them about the type of
- 11 product, ask them about greenspace. We went to
- 12 various constituent groups. We talked to
- 13 various people at city council.
- I specifically worked a lot with Matt
- 15 Greeson, and he gave me the direction to go
- 16 engage Yaromir Steiner, he gave me the direction
- 17 of who to meet with. And so again, we did more
- 18 on this project to get community support than we
- 19 typically do. I'm a Columbus guy, and I felt
- 20 like we should -- we should do -- use, you know,
- 21 best efforts to see if they like the project.
- Q. But as we've discussed you continued to
- 23 get negative feedback from the community itself,
- 24 didn't you?

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1	CERTIFICATE	Page 213
2	STATE OF OHIO : SS:	
3	COUNTY OF FRANKLIN :	
4	I, Julia Lamb, RPR, CRR, a stenographic court reporter and notary public i	n
5	and for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned an qualified, do hereby certify that the	id
6	within-named MICHAEL DEASCENTIS II was first duly sworn to testify to the truth, the whole	
7	truth, and nothing but the truth in the cause aforesaid; that the testimony then given was	
8	taken down by me stenographically in the presence of said witness, afterwards	
9	transcribed; that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the testimony; that this	
10	deposition was taken at the time and place in the foregoing caption specified.	
11	I do further certify that I am not a	
12	relative, employee or attorney of any of the parties hereto; that I am not a relative or	
13	employee of any attorney or counsel employed by the parties hereto; that I am not financially	,
14	interested in the action; and further, I am not nor is the court reporting firm with which I am	
15	affiliated, under contract as defined in Civil Rule 28(D).	I
16	In witness whereof, I have hereunto	
17	set my hand at Columbus, Ohio, on this 9th day of February, 2024.	
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20	Julia Lamb	
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22	Notary Public, State of Ohio	
23	My commission expires: 10-10-27	
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